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UPDATES FROM LOCAL FOOD ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

LEXINGTON, VA - MARCH 16, 2020 - The following message is from the Rockbridge Feeds Hunger Coalition. The Rockbridge Hunger Coalition is a group of organizations in Rockbridge County committed to fighting hunger and food insecurity in the county. We include a number of organizations serving meals, providing groceries, and teaching nutrition lessons across Rockbridge.

While the health of our neighbors remains our top priority, we know that hunger doesn't self-quarantine. The Rockbridge Hunger Coalition remains committed to continuing to offer as many programs as possible in the coming weeks. We are coordinating with our partners, both local and regional, to make sure that all programming runs as effectively as possible. We are applying many recommendations from public health experts and government leaders with safety in mind. Up to date information on food distribution, meal delivery, and grocery services can be found on the Rockbridge Area Relief Association website via this link: <http://raralex.org/>

As of March 16th, the RARA Food Pantry, the Mobile Food Pantries, and the Bridge to Hope Food Pantry are all operating as a drive thru at normal hours. The food pantries at Gospel Way Church of Christ and the Natural Bridge/Glasgow Pantry are operating as normal. The Community Table is closed. Meals on Wheels and Meals for Shut-ins will operate as normal. Local public schools are working on a meal plan for children under 18 with locations throughout the county. If you have any concerns about being able to access food, please call (540) 461-8917 and leave a detailed message.

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